

Egremont Housing Committee Minutes

Monday, May 25, 2020

Meeting Held via ZOOM

In Attendance:

Committee Members: Joan Goodkind, Fred Gordon, Mark Holmes,
Craig Barnum

Meeting called to order by Joan Goodkind at 5:06 p.m.

The April 28th meeting minutes were approved.

Accessory Dwelling Unit Bylaw

Joan will reach out to Richard Allen to request that he compare the ADU Bylaw he drafted with that drafted by the Planning Board.

Update on Affordable Housing Progress adjacent to transfer station

Mark Holmes provided an update on discussions with Modular Home Builders. Segalla, located in Canaan, Connecticut. Mark and Segalla walked the transfer station site. Segalla will provide quotes on the best fit modular house. We are looking at a 2-3 bedroom Cape with a garden apartment. The site will need to be prepped with a foundation, the second floor will need to be finished along with a garden apartment. Mark will get a soft bid on foundation work and finishing the second floor. The goal is to create 10 housing units via 5 duplexes.

Housing Trust

Richard and Fred continue to pursue discussion with Trustees of the Salisbury, CT Housing Trust.

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Rental Apartments

Craig Barnum will research the viability of creating affordable rental units based on a model used in Williamstown, MA. This would include government grants, matching funds, Community Reinvestment Act funds through local banks and potentially social impact investors.

Massachusetts Housing Partnership

Joan Goodkind briefed the Committee on the Massachusetts Housing Partnership. The best resource for the Housing Committee right now is their website, MHP.net. They have a "Housing Tool Box" link which provides info about financing, resources, sample pro-formas, etc. They also have a Community Assistance Team.

Misc.

Joan will brief the Selectboard on the Housing Committee initiatives and progress to date.

The next meeting is scheduled for June 15, 2020, at 5:00.

The meeting adjourned at 6:15.

Respectfully submitted,

Fred Gordon